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Line 5, change "3 c" to --3c--;

Line 14, change "3 d" to --3d--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1, line 8, change "the" to --an-- and line 16, change "electively" to --selectively--.

REMARKS

Applicant and applicant's counsel note with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-4.

In order to correct obvious informalities, the specification has been amended in minor respects. Similarly, claim 1 has been amended to correct a typographical error ("electively" to --selectively--) and to avoid an instance of inferential claiming ("the oxidizing atmosphere" to --an oxidizing atmosphere--).

These amendments are minimal in number and will not entail an undue amount of work on the part of the Office. In view of the allowance of the application on the first Action and the need for correcting obvious informalities prior to printing of the patent, favorable consideration and entry hereof are most respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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